Celebrating Black History Month with Pip and Ellie

Learning objective: To understand the importance of Black History Month and learn about individuals who have made significant contributions to history.

Read each card to learn about key figures and concepts. Reflect on why we celebrate their achievements during Black History Month.

What is Black History Month?

A time in October when we celebrate the achievements and contributions of Black people to our history and society.

Who was Rosa Parks?

A courageous woman who stood up for fairness and equality, helping to change unfair laws in the USA.

Who was Mary Seacole?

A kind nurse who travelled to the Crimean War to help care for wounded soldiers with her own money and medicine.

Why is it important to learn about different people in history?

To understand that everyone has a story and that people from all backgrounds help make our world a better place.

What does 'contribution' mean?

Something you give or do to help a group, a community, or the world.

Who was Walter Tull?

A brave man who was one of the first Black professional footballers in Britain and a brave officer in the First World War.

How can we show respect during Black History Month?

By listening to stories, learning about new people, and being kind and fair to everyone we meet.

What is an 'achievement'?

Something successful that is done through hard work, skill, or courage.

True or False: Black History Month is only for Black people.

False. It is a time for everyone to learn and celebrate together.

What does 'equality' mean?

Making sure that everyone is treated fairly and has the same rights and opportunities.

Can you name one thing you have learned about a historical figure today?

(Encourage the child to share a fact about Rosa Parks, Mary Seacole, or Walter Tull).

How can Pip and Ellie help us learn?

By reading books (Pip) and remembering important stories (Ellie) from the past.